

PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY
OFFICIAL REPORT.
FIRST ASSEMBLY.
SIXTH SESSION.

Saturday the 20th July 1935/4th Karkatakam 1110,

The Assembly met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at eleven of the clock, the President presiding.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

G. O. re: appointments in Government service.

1 *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they are aware that, as a result of the recent G. O. with regard to appointments in public service, some of the Heads of Departments refused to recognise the acting services of persons who have acted before; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, whether the object of the G. O. is to exclude the members of certain communities from entry in the public service?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The interpellation is vague as the G. O. has not been specified.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the Government whether any particular instance of acting persons whose claims have been overlooked by any of the Heads of Departments has been brought to the notice of the Government?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, several instances have been brought to the notice of Government.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the Government whether instances of having overlooked acting claims of persons have been brought to the notice of the Government?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already answered this question.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the Government whether the Conservator of Forests has openly said that he does not recognise the claims of acting men belonging to the Nair community?

PRESIDENT: When and what has the Conservator of Forests said?

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MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know from the Government whether the conduct of the Conservator of Forests in having refused to recognise acting claims of persons who are employed in his Department and who belong to the Nair community is objectionable?

PRESIDENT : Specific instances please.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know from the Government whether, when there were persons belonging to the Nair community waiting outside, who had already acted in the Department, the Conservator of Forests has entertained persons other than Nairs in his Department from outside?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The information has to be obtained from the Conservator of Forests. I claim notice.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : May I know from the Government whether there was any representation made to Government on such appointments and the decision made by Government thereon?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Representation by whom?

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : By the parties concerned.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : There may have been. I cannot give an accurate answer without referring to the files. I claim notice.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : May I know from the member whether such appeals to Government on appointments made by the Conservator have been appreciable in number?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I do not think so.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*) : I rise to a point of order. In view of a previous ruling of the Chair, can supplementary questions be asked when the original question itself has not been answered.

PRESIDENT : The question relates to a G. O. with regard to appointments in Government service and the member is trying to elicit the fact that injustice has been done by a particular departmental head.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*) : May I know whether any circular has been issued to the Heads of Departments that acting hands in their Departments should be preferred to fresh applicants?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No such circular has been issued, Sir.

MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Urbur*) : May I know from the Government whether any order of Government has been issued to the effect that the claims of members of unrepresented communities may be taken into consideration when making appointments?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): A circular was issued to the effect that equal chances should be given to members of all communities. Nothing more than that was intended by the circular.

Savings Bank business in the Vamanapuram Anchal Office.

***MR. J. S. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether the people of Vamanapuram and neighbouring *pakuthies* in the Nedumangad taluk have submitted several petitions to the Anchal Superintendent for the opening of Savings Bank Account in the Vamanapuram Anchal Office ;

(b) whether they are aware that there is the need for the opening of Savings Bank Account in the Anchal Office at Vamanapuram ; and

(c) if the answers to parts (a) and (b) are in the affirmative what action has been taken in the matter ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) The question does not arise in view of the answer to (b),

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the Government under what principle Savings Bank Accounts are opened in Anchal Offices ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Whenever there is any demand for opening them and when the transactions of the office are very large.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether it is possible to ascertain the transactions of a particular Anchal Office in the absence of any Savings Bank Account in that Office ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, the transactions could be ascertained from the accounts of the Anchal Office.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): My question is with reference to the opening of Savings Bank Account. I want to know whether, in the absence of Savings Bank Account in the Office it is possible to ascertain the nature of the transactions in that Office ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The volume of the other kinds of work in an Anchal Office will show whether there is any real demand for Savings Bank Account in that Office.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether Savings Bank Accounts are opened in Anchal Offices in consideration of the volume of letters and value payables that are sent from that Office ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes in an Office where there are very few letters, there will not be any demand for Savings Bank.